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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed December 21, 2000, please amend and add claims as set forth below, and reconsider the outstanding rejections based upon the following remarks.

Clean Version of Amendments

13. (Three times amended) A system for controlling a vehicle to provide transportation services, comprising:

storage documenting needed transportation services between any origin and destination and a time frame thereof, wherein said vehicle under control of said system does not travel on predetermined routes between said origin and said destination;

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